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SUBJ: PROPOSED MOU BETWEEN NASA, BMFT (GERMANY) AND INPE (BRAZIL)

REF: STATE 137518; RIO 2600

FOLLOWING IS FREE TRANSLATION OF LETTER JUST RECEIVED BY RIO CONGEN SCIENCE OFFICER FROM PRESIDENT NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (CNPQ), TO WHICH INPE SUBORDINATED, IN RESPONSE TO OUR LETTER OF JULY 19 REFERRED TO IN RIO 2600: QUOTE ALL ROCKET LAUNCHINGS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED THROUGH MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED BY INPE FOR PURPOSE OF SOUNDING AND MEASURING NATURAL ATMOSPHERIC EMISSIONS, SUCH AS THE LATEST ONE SIGNED FEBRUARY 16, 1973, FOR LAUNCHINGS CONDUCTED IN MARCH AND APRIL 1973. SUCH MEMORANDA ARE SUBMITTED BY CNPQ TO THE BRAZILIAN SPACE ACTIVITIES COMMISSION (COBAE) AND THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR APPROVAL. AFTER APPROVAL IS GRANTED, CNPQ THEN AUTHORIZES INPE DIRECTOR TO SIGN IT. I WISH INFORM YOU THAT CNPQ IS NOT AWARE OF SOUNDING ROCKET LAUNCHINGS FROM BARREIRA DO INFERNO IN COMING MONTHS AND CONSEQUENTLY INPE DIRECTOR IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO SIGN DOCUMENT FOR LAUNCHINGS REFERRED TO IN YOUR LETTER OF JULY 19, 1973, MOREOVER WHEN, IN THIS CASE, THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY COMMITTING BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT IS BEING CONTEMPLATED UNQUOTE.

COMMENT: RIO CONGEN SCIENCE OFFICER HAS DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH INPE DIRECTOR, FERNANDO DE MENDONCA. MENDONCA SAID THAT HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT MOU SIGNED FEBRUARY 16, 1973 BETWEEN NASA UNCLASSIFIED

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AND INPE CONTAINING LIABILITY CLAUSE, WHICH EXCEPT FOR REFERENCE TO

BMFT, IS IDENTICAL TO THAT QUOTED IN STATE 137518 AND WHICH IS VALID
UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1973, WOULD COVER PROPOSED ROCKET LAUNCHING FROM
BARREIRA DO INFERNO IN THE FALL 1973.

AFTER RECEIVING CNPQ'S LETTER, HOWEVER, RIO CONGEN WAS CALLED BY
CNPQ OFFICIAL WHO WISHED TO ADD ONE POINT OMITTED IN THEIR LETTER.
HE NOTED THAT FEBRUARY 16 MOU WAS SIGNED BETWEEN NASA AND INPE ONLY
AND THAT IF GERMAN AGENCY IS TO BE INCLUDED IN RESEARCH PROJECT
WHOLE PROCESS WILL HAVE TO BE CLEARED BY APPROPRIATE BRAZILIAN
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AGAIN.
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